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**METHOD FOR TEMPORAL
SYNCHRONISATION OF AT LEAST TWO
MEASURING COMPUTERS COOPERATING
OVER A TELECOMMUNICATION NETWORK
SUCH AS INTERNET, INTRANET OR SIMILAR**

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, Applicant hereby makes of record the documents listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 Form (1 page) for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. While the references are being submitted herewith, some or all of the references may not constitute prior art under the U.S. patent laws.

Some of the documents listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 Form were cited in the International Search Report in the above-referenced International Application. A copy of that International Search Report is submitted herewith.

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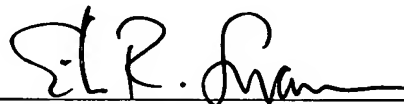
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It is respectfully requested that the references cited in the accompanying PTO-1449 form be considered and made of record. It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are patentable over all of the references made of record at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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